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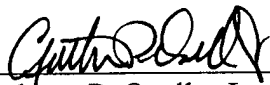
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	AD	4,246,638	01/20/81	Thomas	364	200	09/14/78	
	AE	4,263,634	04/21/81	Chenoweth, et al.	360	133	09/17/79	
	AF	5,027,396	06/25/91	Platteter, et al.	380	4	05/07/90	
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	AH	4,333,113	06/01/82	Kalinowski	360	27	06/16/80	
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	BD	4,454,594	06/12/84	Heffron, et al.	364	900	11/25/81	
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	BF	4,462,076	07/24/84	Smith, III.	364	200	06/04/82	
	BG	4,465,901	08/14/84	Best	178	22.08	07/02/81	
	BH	4,471,163	09/11/84	Donald, et al.	178	22.08	10/05/81	
	BI	4,479,579	10/30/84	Miklos	206	309	11/24/82	
	BJ	4,495,526	01/22/85	Baranoff-Rossine	360	15	10/25/82	
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CD	4,573,119	02/25/86	Westheimer, et al.	364	200	07/11/83	
CE	4,577,289	03/18/86	Comerford, et al.	364	900	12/30/83	
CF	4,584,641	04/22/86	Gugliemino	364	200	08/29/83	
CG	4,590,470	05/20/86	Koenig	340	825.31	07/11/83	
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	DC	4,658,093	04/14/87	Hellman	380	25	07/11/83	
	DD	4,670,857	06/02/87	Rackman	380	4	10/26/81	
	DE	4,677,604	06/30/87	Selby, et al.	369	33	02/04/85	
	DF	5,312,663	05/17/94	Kosinski, et al.	428	64	12/27/91	
	DG	4,683,553	07/28/87	Mollier	380	4	02/05/86	
	DH	4,683,968	08/04/87	Appelbaum, et al.	380	4	09/03/85	
	DI	4,685,055	08/04/87	Thomas	364	200	07/01/85	
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	<b>EC</b>	4,740,890	04/26/88	William	364	200	12/22/83	
	<b>ED</b>	4,742,543	05/03/88	Frederiksen	380	9	07/10/86	
	<b>EE</b>	4,747,139	05/24/88	Taaffe	380	44	10/21/86	
	<b>EF</b>	4,752,554	06/21/88	Sato, <i>et al.</i>	430	273	06/02/86	
	<b>EG</b>	4,757,468	07/12/88	Domenik, <i>et al.</i>	364.	900	04/21/87	
	<b>EH</b>	4,757,534	07/12/88	Matyas, <i>et al.</i>	380	25	02/03/87	
	<b>EI</b>	4,761,775	08/02/88	Murakami	369	46	01/23/87	
	<b>EJ</b>	4,785,361	11/15/88	Brothby	360	60	12/16/86	
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	FF	4,868,805	09/19/89	Hanami, et al.	369	53	08/13/87
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	GD	4,959,861	09/25/90	Howlette	380	4	07/13/88	
	GE	4,961,182	10/02/90	Saito, et al.	369	124	06/29/88	
	GF	4,967,403	10/30/90	Ogawa, et al.	369	44.26	04/20/88	
	GG	5,703,858	12/30/97	Mitchell, et al.	369	58	10/21/96	
	GH	4,975,898	12/04/90	Yoshida	369	100	08/18/88	
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	HD	5,073,925	12/17/91	Nagata, <i>et al.</i>	380	3	06/13/90	
	HE	5,122,912	06/16/92	Kanota, <i>et al.</i>	360	46	05/18/89	
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	HG	5,155,768	10/13/92	Matsuhara	380	23	03/11/91	
	HH	5,159,633	10/27/92	Nakamura	380	30	01/15/91	
	HI	5,168,482	12/01/92	Aratani, <i>et al.</i>	369	13	08/29/90	
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	IJ	5,392,351	02/21/95	Hasebe, et al.	380	4	03/15/93
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	JC	5,418,852	05/23/95	Itami, et al.	380	4	03/17/93
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	JE	5,430,281	07/04/95	Lentz, et al.	235	454	02/28/94
	JF	5,457,668	10/10/95	Hibino, et al.	369	32	08/25/93
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	JH	5,475,664	12/12/95	Shimzume, et al.	369	44.29	03/16/95
	JI	5,489,768	02/06/96	Brownstein, et al.	235	414	12/31/92
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	KD	5,563,947	10/08/96	Kikinis	380	4	12/20/95	
	KE	5,570,339	10/29/96	Nagano	369	275.3	07/21/94	
	KF	5,572,507	11/05/96	Ozaki, et al.	369	275.4	09/11/95	
	KG	5,579,113	11/26/96	Papst, et al.	356	426	03/10/95	
	KH	5,587,984	12/24/96	Owa, et al.	369	103	09/08/95	
	KI	5,590,111	12/31/96	Kirino, et al.	369	116	07/13/93	
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	LD	5,706,266	01/06/98	Brownstein, et al.	369	58	05/01/95
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